COMPLAINT

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Plaintiffs Del Webb Communities, Inc., Del Webb Home Construction, Inc., and Pulte Home Corporation allege as follows:

### **PARTIES**

## THE PLAINTIFFS

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- At all times mentioned herein, Del Webb Communities, Inc. was and is 1. a corporation incorporated in Arizona; it maintains its corporate headquarters, which is its center of direction, control and coordination and, thus, is its principal place of business, in Arizona.
- At all times mentioned herein, Del Webb Home Construction, Inc. was 2. and is a corporation incorporated in Arizona; it maintains its corporate headquarters, which is its center of direction, control and coordination and, thus, is its principal place of business, in Arizona.
- At all times mentioned herein, Pulte Home Corporation was and is a 3. corporation incorporated in Michigan; it maintains its corporate headquarters, which is its center of direction, control and coordination and, thus, is its principal place of business, in Michigan.
- 4. Del Webb Communities, Inc., Del Webb Home Construction, Inc., and Pulte Home Corporation are collectively referred to as "Del Webb" or "Plaintiffs."

## THE DEFENDANTS

Del Webb is informed and believes, and on that basis alleges, that 5.

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Defendant Arch Insurance Company ("Arch"), at all times mentioned herein was and is a corporation incorporated in Missouri; it maintains its corporate headquarters, which is its center of direction, control and coordination and, thus, is its principal place of business, in Connecticut.

- 6. Del Webb is informed and believes, and on that basis alleges, that Defendant Ace American Insurance Company ("Ace"), at all times mentioned herein was and is a corporation incorporated in Pennsylvania; it maintains its corporate headquarters, which is its center of direction, control and coordination and, thus, is its principal place of business, in Pennsylvania.
- 7. Del Webb is informed and believes, and on that basis alleges, that Defendant National Union Fire Insurance Company of Pittsburgh, PA ("National Union") at all times mentioned herein was and is a corporation incorporated in Pennsylvania; it maintains its corporate headquarters, which is its center of direction, control and coordination and, thus, is its principal place of business, in New York.
- 8. Del Webb is informed and believes, and on that basis alleges, that Defendant Liberty Mutual Fire Insurance Company ("Liberty") at all times mentioned herein was and is a corporation incorporated in Massachusetts; it maintains its corporate headquarters, which is its center of direction, control and coordination and, thus, is its principal place of business, in Massachusetts.
- 9. Del Webb is unaware of the true names and capacities of DOES 1 through 10, inclusive, whether individual, corporate, associate or otherwise, and therefore sues these defendants by fictitious names. Del Webb is informed and believes, and on that basis alleges, that each of the fictitiously named defendants is

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in some manner responsible for the damage to Del Webb as alleged in this
Complaint. Del Webb will amend this Complaint to show the true names and
capacities of these fictitiously named defendants after the same has been
ascertained.

Arch, Ace, National Union, and Liberty, and Does 1-10, inclusive, are 10. hereinafter collectively referred to as "Defendants."

## **JURISDICTION**

- The amount in controversy exceeds \$75,000 and consists of amounts 11. that each Defendant separately and independently owes Del Webb for past and future defense fees and costs incurred by Del Webb in the Ash, Levinson, and Richards Actions as described more fully below, consequential damages resulting from Defendants' breach of contract, and extra-contractual damages, including Del Webb's attorney's fees incurred in prosecuting this action, and punitive damages. Specifically, Del Webb has incurred more than \$1,000,000.00 in defense-related expenses in the Ash, Levinson, and Richards Actions collectively, and because they are ongoing, Del Webb will continue to incur defense-related expenses in the future.
- Plaintiffs are citizens of Arizona and Michigan, and Defendants are 12. citizens of New York, Massachusetts, Missouri, Connecticut, and Pennsylvania.
- 13. This Court therefore has diversity jurisdiction under 28 U.S.C. § 1332 in that this is a civil action between citizens of different states in which the matter in controversy exceeds, exclusive of costs and interest, seventy-five thousand dollars.

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14. Del Webb is informed and believes and thereon alleges that all Defendants reside in California because they are subject to personal jurisdiction in the state with respect to this action. In addition, a substantial part of the events or omissions giving rise to this action occurred within this judicial district.

## **GENERAL ALLEGATIONS**

## The Sun City Grand Project

- 15. Del Webb is a homebuilder that participated in the construction of a residential development known as Sun City Grand, located in Surprise, Arizona ("Sun City Grand").
- 16. Del Webb performed no work on the homes at Sun City Grand; instead, all work was performed by subcontractors.
- AMPAM Riggs Plumbing Inc. f/k/a Keith Riggs Plumbing 17. ("AMPAM") performed plumbing and related work at Sun City Grand, including but not limited to installing pipes and the "Wirsbo plumbing fitting" in each of the homes constructed at Sun City Grand.

## The AMPAM Policies

18. AMPAM performed work at Sun City Grand pursuant to one or more written subcontracts that it entered into with Del Webb.

Each subcontract required AMPAM to maintain commercial general 19. liability insurance with minimum limits of \$1,000,000 combined single limit per occurrence, \$2,000,000 general aggregate, and \$2,000,000 products/completed operations aggregate, and to name Del Webb Corporation, Del Webb's subsidiaries and affiliates, and their respective directors, officers, employees, and agents as "additional insureds" under those insurance policies.

AMPAM obtained the following commercial general liability policies 20. from Arch (the "Arch Policies"), Ace (the "Ace Policies"), Liberty (the "Liberty Policies") and National Union (the "National Union Policies") (collectively, "the AMPAM Policies"):

Insurer	Policy Number	Policy Period	Additional Insured
Arch	Unknown	11/1/07 -	Del Webb
		11/1/09	
Ace	HDOG21703187	11/1/03 -	Del Webb
	=	11/1/07	45
Liberty	YY7-161-	09/1/96 -	Del Webb
	037917-038	01/1/99	
	RG2-691-004-	11/1/02-	R g
	282-022	11/1/03	
National	BE3575142	01/1/99 -	Del Webb
Union	**	11/1/04	
	BE 3464754		
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- 21. The AMPAM Policies were endorsed to cover Del Webb as an "additional insured" with respect to liability arising out of AMPAM's work.
- The coverage afforded under the AMPAM Policies requires Defendants 22. Arch, Ace, Liberty, and National Union to pay all sums Del Webb is legally obligated to pay as damages because of property damage or bodily injury during the policy period caused by an occurrence, and arising out of AMPAM's work.
- 23. The coverage afforded under the AMPAM policies also requires Defendants Arch, Ace, Liberty and National Union to defend Del Webb against all claims that create potential liability for covered property damage or bodily injury, even if such claims are groundless, false or fraudulent.

## The Underlying Actions

Homeowners in Sun City Grand filed a consolidated civil action, Fern 24. Ash, et al. v. Del Webb Communities, Inc., et al., Maricopa County Superior Court Case No. CV-2012-006568 (the "Ash Action"), initiated an arbitration proceeding, Lawrence and Sharon Levinson, et al. v. Del Webb Communities, Inc., et al., American Arbitration Association Case No. 11-527-0130711 (the "Levinson Action"), and filed a class action, Jerry L. Richards, et al. v. Del Webb Communities, Inc., et al., United States District Court for the District of Arizona Case No. CV11-00368-PHX-SMM (the "Richards Action"), against Del Webb alleging, among other things, that the homes at Sun City Grand contained construction deficiencies, that these deficiencies had caused property damage and/or bodily injury, and that Del Webb was liable for these damages.

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25.	The Ash, Levinson, and Richards Actions (collectively, the
"Underlying	g Actions") seek damages from Del Webb for property damage and/or
bodily injur	y arising out of the work, operations or ongoing operations of AMPAM

- As result of the homeowner claims in the Underlying Actions, Del 26. Webb has incurred more than \$1,000,000.00 in defense-related expenses in these Actions collectively.
- 27. Furthermore, because the Underlying Actions are ongoing, Del Webb will continue to incur additional costs, expenses, and fees in the future, including possible settlement costs and the costs of a potential judgment.

## **Defendants Respond to the Underlying Actions**

- 28. Del Webb promptly requested that each Defendant defend Del Webb against the Underlying Actions. Each Defendant breached its duty to defend Del Webb by (1) refusing to defend Del Webb, (2) by agreeing to defend Del Webb against these matters but failing to reimburse any of Del Webb previously-incurred defense-related expenses or commit to funding Del Webb's future defense-related expenses, or (3) never responding at all to Del Webb's tender of defense.
- 29. More specifically, Defendants Ace and National Union refused to defend Del Webb against the Underlying Actions; while Defendant Liberty acknowledged that it owes Del Webb a defense obligation in the Underlying Actions, but it has delayed and stonewalled paying defense-related expenses. Defendant Arch failed to provide Del Webb with any coverage position whatsoever.
  - 30. As a result of Defendants' conduct, Del Webb was forced to expend

significant resources defending itself against the Underlying Actions.

# FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION BREACH OF CONTRACT

(By Del Webb Against All Defendants and DOES 1 through 10)

- 31. Del Webb realleges the allegations contained in paragraphs 1 through 30, inclusive, and incorporates them by reference as though fully set forth herein.
- 32. Del Webb requested that Defendants defend Del Webb against the Underlying Actions as described more fully above. Del Webb has performed all obligations owing under each of the policies, and has satisfied all relevant conditions precedent under the Arch, Ace, National Union, and Liberty Policies.
- 33. Defendants have failed to discharge their contractual duties to defend Del Webb as an additional insured against the Underlying Actions under the Arch, Ace, National Union, and Liberty Policies.
- 34. More particularly, Ace and National Union breached their contracts by wrongfully denying a duty to defend Del Webb, while Arch breached its contracts by not responding at all to Del Webb's tenders, and Liberty breached its contracts by refusing to pay Del Webb's defense-related expenses, even though Liberty acknowledged that it is obligated to do so.
- 35. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' conduct as alleged in this complaint, Del Webb has been damaged in an amount to be proven at trial.

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## SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION TORTIOUS BREACH OF THE DUTY OF GOOD FAITH AND FAIR **DEALING**

(By Del Webb Against All Defendants and DOES 1 through 10)

- 36. Del Webb realleges the allegations contained in paragraphs 1 through 35, inclusive, and incorporates them by reference as though fully set forth herein.
- Defendants owe Del Webb a duty of good faith and fair dealing, 37. obligating Defendants to put Del Webb's interests equal with or ahead of their own interests and to do nothing to deprive Del Webb of policy benefits.
- 38. Rather than honor their obligations, Defendants have instead sought to protect their own interests and have subordinated Del Webb's interests by refusing to discharge contractual duties without reasonable grounds or good cause.
- 39. In addition, Defendants have acted with knowledge or reckless disregard of the harmful consequences to Del Webb of their unreasonable conduct.
- 40. Accordingly, Defendants have unreasonably deprived Del Webb of its rights and benefits under their policies. For example:
- Pursuant to clearly applicable law, Defendants Ace and National a. Union have a duty to defend Del Webb against the Underlying Actions if the homeowner allegations create the potential for an award of covered damages under the Ace and National Union Policies. Defendants also have a duty to rely upon nothing but the policy language, the relevant legal standards, and the facts of the

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Underlying Actions when making coverage determinations on Del Webb's tenders. Defendants Ace and National Union understand the scope of their obligations to Del Webb. Despite this understanding, Defendants Ace and National Union denied Del Webb's tenders for coverage in the Underlying Actions without reasonable basis. In addition, on information and belief, Ace and National Union denied coverage to Del Webb based, not on the application of their policy language and the law to the facts of the Underlying Actions, but on the significant defense and indemnity costs that Ace and National Union knew Del Webb will incur defending and settling the Underlying Actions. On information and belief, Ace and National Union have experience and/or knowledge of similar construction defects lawsuits involving the dezincification of plumbing fittings in the southwestern United States and understand the significant costs associated with defending and settling such claims. By denying Del Webb's tenders in the Underlying Actions, Defendants Ace and National Union hoped to avoid costs that they know will be large, even if these improper coverage decisions injure Del Webb.

b. Pursuant to clearly applicable law, Defendant Arch has a duty to conduct a thorough investigation into Del Webb's tenders for coverage in the Underlying Actions, make a prompt evaluation of coverage, and provide an explanation for the reasons that Arch decides to either pay or not pay a specific claim. Defendant Arch is fully aware of its duty to investigate a tender and make a prompt evaluation of coverage. Despite this knowledge, Arch has failed to conduct a reasonable investigation into Del Webb's tender for coverage in the Underlying Actions, ignored Del Webb's numerous requests for coverage, and failed to provide Del Webb with an explanation of why it has taken so long to issue a coverage determination. Arch's conduct is unreasonable and it is motivated by a desire to avoid paying money on Del Webb's tender, and by a belief that the longer Arch delayed issuing a coverage decision the greater the chance would be that other

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insurer carriers would step up and defend Del Webb, obviating Arch's need to do so. On information and belief, like Ace and National Union, Arch has experience and/or knowledge of similar construction defects lawsuits involving the dezincification of plumbing fittings in the southwestern United States and understands the significant costs associated with defending and settling such claims. By refusing to respond to Del Webb's tenders in the Underlying Actions, Arch hoped to avoid costs that it knows are likely to be significant, with full knowledge that Arch's conduct injures Del Webb.

Pursuant to clearly applicable law, Defendant Liberty has a duty to supply Del Webb with an immediate and complete defense against the Underlying Actions once it acknowledges owing Del Webb a defense in these matters. Likewise, Liberty has a duty to conduct a thorough investigation into Del Webb's tenders and to treat Del Webb's tenders with the seriousness and care that they deserve. Liberty is fully aware of its duty to supply an immediate and complete defense and to conduct a thorough investigation of all claims that are tendered to it. Despite this knowledge, Liberty refused to provide Del Webb with an immediate and complete defense against the Underlying Actions. More specifically, although Liberty acknowledged on December 17, 2012, that it owed Del Webb a defense obligation in the Underlying Actions, Liberty has not paid any portion of Del Webb's previously incurred defense costs, nor will Liberty commit to paying Del Webb's future defense costs, despite Del Webb's numerous requests that Liberty tender payment and commit to paying such costs. Liberty's stonewalling and delay tactics are unreasonable, have no basis in law, and are entirely motivated by Liberty's desire to limit its monetary exposure to Del Webb without regard to Del Webb's rights or interests. On information and belief, Del Webb alleges that Liberty understands the significant costs that Del Webb may incur defending itself against the Underlying Actions, because Liberty has prior experience and/or

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knowledge of similar construction defect lawsuits involving the dezincification of plumbing fittings in the southwestern United States. Liberty has delayed paying Del Webb in order to buy itself time, since Liberty hopes that if it continues to stonewall Del Webb – i.e., by agreeing to defend but not paying any defense costs – eventually other insurance carriers will also agree to defend Del Webb's in the Underlying Actions, thereby reducing or eliminating the amounts that Liberty is required to pay for Del Webb's defense, in what are likely going to be lengthy and expensive matters. In addition, as part of its delay tactics, Liberty continually requested that Del Webb supply information that had little or no relevance to Liberty's coverage investigation and which did not impact Liberty's ability to reimburse Del Webb's previously incurred defense costs or implement a system to pay Del Webb's future defense costs.

d. Pursuant to clearly applicable law, Defendants have a duty to defend additional insureds, like Del Webb, for claims alleging potential for liability arising out of the work of their named insureds. Defendants understand and are fully aware of this duty. Despite knowledge of this obligation, Defendants routinely attempt to avoid this obligation by taking arbitrary and capricious coverage positions. More specifically, despite knowledge of the terms of their insurance policies, additional-insured endorsements, the relevant case law, and the facts alleged in the Underlying Actions, Defendants refused to acknowledge their duties to defend Del Webb against the Underlying Actions. Defendants have adopted a pattern and practice of consistently and intentionally treating Del Webb and other additional insureds differently from their named insured with respect to the degree of investigation undertaken, the coverage positions Defendants assert and the defense they are willing to provide. Likewise, Defendants took coverage positions in the Underlying Actions that are inconsistent with positions they took in other similar cases. Defendants' decisions to deny or delay responding to Del Webb's

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tenders were motivated by a desire to enhance unfairly their own profits by avoiding contractual obligations and ignoring the contractual rights and economic interests of Del Webb. Defendants acted in a deliberate and concerted fashion to achieve this self-serving economic objective. Defendants' conduct in this regard tortiously breaches the duty of good faith and fair dealing owed to Del Webb, and recklessly disregards Del Webb's economic and property rights.

Defendants' conduct as alleged in this Complaint is part of a pattern of 41. unfair claims practices intentionally engaged in by Defendants to enhance unfairly their own profits by avoiding contractual obligations and ignoring the contractual rights and economic interests of Del Webb and other additional insureds. These systematic practices include: (1) wrongfully denying additional insureds coverage owed under policies; and (2) refusing to supply a full defense to additional insureds as required by law and instead trying to limit coverage obligations to funding only a small fraction of the additional insured's defense.

- As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' tortious breach of the 42. duty of good faith and fair dealing, Del Webb has suffered damages in an amount to be proven at trial, including without limitation, legal costs incurred to obtain the benefits of the respective policies.
- 43. In addition, Defendants' conduct as alleged in this Complaint is despicable and has been carried out in willful and conscious disregard of Del Webb's rights and economic interests, and is malicious, fraudulent and oppressive. Accordingly, Defendants' conduct entitles Del Webb to punitive damages.
- Defendants' malicious, fraudulent, and oppressive conduct includes, for 44. example, the following conduct:

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a. As described above, Defendants are fully aware of their duty to
defend additional insureds, like Del Webb, against claims alleging potential liability
arising out of the work of their named insureds, but routinely attempt to avoid these
obligations by treating additional insured differently from named insureds.
Defendants know this behavior violates the rights of additional insureds, like Del
Webb, but Defendants intentionally try to deprive additional insureds, like Del
Webb, of policy benefits in order to unfairly enhance their own profits.

b. As described above, Defendants are fully aware of their duty to fully defend Del Webb as opposed to only providing a proportional or partial defense based on the liability of their named insureds. Defendants know that failing to provide Del Webb with a full defense violates its contractual rights, but Defendants nonetheless intentionally disavow these duties in willful violation of their contractual duties.

## THIRD CAUSE OF ACTION DECLARATORY RELIEF REGARDING ALL DEFENDANTS' DUTIES TO **DEFEND**

(By Del Webb Against Ace, Arch, National Union and DOES 1 through 10)

- Del Webb realleges the allegations contained in paragraphs 1 through 45. 44, inclusive, and incorporates them by reference as though fully set forth herein.
- An actual controversy has arisen and now exists between Del Webb, on 46. the one hand, and Defendants, on the other hand, in that Del Webb contends that under the Ace, Arch, and National Union Policies, each Defendant owes a separate and independent duty to promptly and fully defend Del Webb in the Underlying

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47.	Del Webb is informed and believes that Ace, Arch, and National Union
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- 48. Del Webb desires a judicial determination as follows:
  - that each Ace, Arch, and National Union owes a separate and a. independent duty to defend Del Webb against the Underlying Actions;
  - that the scope of this duty is to provide Del Webb with an b. immediate and full defense;
  - that the obligations of any one Defendant to provide Del Webb c. with an immediate and full defense is not diminished or reduced when other Defendants owe Del Webb this same duty.
- A declaratory judgment is both proper and necessary so that the 49. respective rights, duties, and obligations of Del Webb and Ace, Arch, and National Union may be determined.

## PRAYER

WHEREFORE, Del Webb prays for judgment against each Defendant as follows:

#### FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION: 1.

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- For general and specific damages in an amount to be proven at a. trial;
- For all costs and expenses at the full extent permitted by law; b.
- For pre-judgment interest and post-judgment interest at the full C. extent permitted by law;
- d. For attorneys' fees to the extent recoverable by Arizona statute 12-341 or any other applicable law; and
- For such other and further relief as the Court deems fair and e. proper.

#### **SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION:** 2.

- For general and specific damages in an amount to be proven at a. trial;
- For punitive damages at the full extent permitted by law; b.
- For all costs and expenses at the full extent permitted by law; C.
- For pre-judgment interest and post-judgment interest at the full d. extent permitted by law;
- For attorneys' fees to the extent recoverable by Arizona statute e. 12-341 or any other applicable law; and
- For such other and further relief as the Court deems fair and f.

proper. 3. THIRD CAUSE OF ACTION: For declaratory relief as described above; a. For all costs and expenses at the full extent permitted by law; b. For pre-judgment interest and post-judgment interest at the full c. extent permitted by law; For attorneys' fees to the extent recoverable by Arizona statute d. 12-341 or any other applicable law; and For such other and further relief as the Court deems fair and e. proper. Respectfully submitted, DATED: November 6, 2013 PAYNE & FEARS LLP NATHAN CAZIER JARED DE JONG Attorneys for Del Webb

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## **DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL**

Pursuant to Local Rule 38-1 and Rule 38 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, Plaintiffs Del Webb Communities, Inc., Del Webb Home Construction, Inc., and Pulte Home Corporation respectfully request a jury trial on all issues so triable.

DATED: November 6, 2013

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# UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

## NOTICE OF ASSIGNMENT TO UNITED STATES JUDGES

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890 Other Statutory Actions	160 Stockholders'	350 Motor Vehicle	☐ 423 Withdrawal 28 USC 157	USC 881	1.003		
891 Agricultural Acts	Suits	355 Motor Vehicle Product Liability	CIVIL RIGHTS	690 Other	1		
893 Environmental     Matters	190 Other Contract	360 Other Personal		LABOR 710 Fair Labor Standards	<u> </u>		
B95 Freedom of Info.	195 Contract	362 Personal Injury	441 Voting  442 Employment	Act 720 Labor/Mgmt.			
896 Arbitration	Froduct Liability  196 Franchise	Med Malpratice 365 Personal Injury	443 Housing/	Relations			
	REAL PROPERTY	Product Liability	Accomodations 445 American with	740 Railway Labor Act			
899 Admin. Procedures Act/Review of Appeal of	☐ 210 Land	367 Health Care/ Pharmaceutical	Disabilities-	751 Family and Medical			
Agency Decision	Condemnation 220 Foreclosure	Personal Injury Product Liability	Employment 446 American with	790 Other Labor			
950 Constitutionality of	230 Rent Lease &	368 Asbestos Personal Injury	☐ Disabilities-Other	Litigation 791 Employee Ret. Inc.	Total (1975)		
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VIII. VENUE: Your answers to the questions below will determine the division of the Court to which this case will most likely be initially assigned. This initial assignment is subject to change, in accordance with the Court's General Orders, upon review by the Court of your Complaint or Notice of Removal.

Question A: Was this case removed from state court?		STATE CASE WAS PENDING IN THE COUNTY OF:				INITIAL DIVISION IN CACD IS:		
☐ Yes 🗷 No	Los Angeles			Western				
If "no, " go to Question B. If "yes," check the	□ Ve	entura, Santa Barbara, or San	Luis Obisp	0		Western		
box to the right that applies, enter the corresponding division in response to		range					Southern	
Question D, below, and skip to Section IX.	Ri	verside or San Bernardino					Eastern	
Question B: Is the United States, or one its agencies or employees, a party to this		If the United States, or or	ne of its ag	encies or	employees, is a party, is it			
action?		A PLAINTIFF?			A DEFENDANT?  Then check the box below for the county in		INITIAL DIVISION IN CACD IS:	
		n check the box below for the co nich the majority of DEFENDANTS			ch the majority of PLAINTIFFS			
If "no, " go to Question C. If "yes," check the box to the right that applies, enter the		os Angeles			Angeles		West	ern
corresponding division in response to		entura, Santa Barbara, or San bispo	Luis	□ Ven	tura, Santa Barbara, or Sar spo	Luis	West	ern
Question D, below, and skip to Section IX.	□ ∘	range		☐ Ora	nge		South	ern
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plaintiffs, defendants, and claims?	Angeles	Ventura, Santa Barbara, or San Luis Obispo Counties	Orange C	County	Riverside or San Bernardino Counties	0.0000000000000000000000000000000000000	le the Central t of California	Other
Indicate the location in which a majority of plaintiffs reside:				]				$\times$
Indicate the location in which a majority of defendants reside:				]				X
Indicate the location in which a majority of claims arose:			×					
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C.1. Is either of the following true? If so,  2 or more answers in Column C			C.2. Is	] 2 or m	the following true? If so			
only 1 answer in Column C and n	o answer	s in Column D	only 1 answer in Column D and no answers in Column C  Your case will initially be assigned to the EASTERN DIVISION. Enter "Eastern" in response to Question D, below.					
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If none applies, answer que	stion C2	to the right.	If none applies, go to the box below.					
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		Your case will i WES Enter "Western" in r	TERN DIVIS	SION.				
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Question D: Initial Division?		WES	TERN DIVIS	SION.		SION IN CAC	D	

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IX(a).	IDENTICAL CASES	5: Has this acti	ion been previously filed in this court and dismissed, remanded or closed?   NO YES	
	If yes, list case number	(s):		
IX(b).	RELATED CASES:	Have any cases	s been previously filed in this court that are related to the present case? X NO YES	
	If yes, list case number	(s):		
Civi	cases are deemed rela	ited if a previou	usly filed case and the present case:	
(Che	ck all boxes that apply)	A. Arise fr	rom the same or closely related transactions, happenings, or events; or	
		B. Call for	determination of the same or substantially related or similar questions of law and fact; or	
		C. For oth	ner reasons would entail substantial duplication of labor if heard by different judges; or	
		D. Involve	e the same patent, trademark or copyright, and one of the factors identified above in a, b or c also is present.	
X. SI	SNATURE OF ATTO	RNEY	gen 11/22	_
	ELF-REPRESENTE		DATE: 11-6-20	<u>L</u>
other r	apers as required by lay	This form, app	Civil Cover Sheet and the information contained herein neither replace nor supplement the filing and service of pleadings or proved by the Judicial Conference of the United States in September 1974, is required pursuant to Local Rule 3-1 is not filed pose of statistics, venue and initiating the civil docket sheet. (For more detailed instructions, see separate instructions sheet	
Key to	Statistical codes relating	to Social Securit	ty Cases:	
N	ature of Suit Code A	bbreviation	Substantive Statement of Cause of Action	
	861	HIA	All claims for health insurance benefits (Medicare) under Title 18, Part A, of the Social Security Act, as amended. Also, include claims by hospitals, skilled nursing facilities, etc., for certification as providers of services under the program. (42 U.S.C. 1935FF(b))	
	862	BL	All claims for "Black Lung" benefits under Title 4, Part B, of the Federal Coal Mine Health and Safety Act of 1969. (30 U.S.C. 923)	
	863	DIWC	All claims filed by insured workers for disability insurance benefits under Title 2 of the Social Security Act, as amended; plu all claims filed for child's insurance benefits based on disability. (42 U.S.C. 405 (g))	IS
	863	DIWW	All claims filed for widows or widowers insurance benefits based on disability under Title 2 of the Social Security Act, as amended. (42 U.S.C. 405 (g))	
	864	SSID	All claims for supplemental security income payments based upon disability filed under Title 16 of the Social Security Act, amended.	as
	865	RSI	All claims for retirement (old age) and survivors benefits under Title 2 of the Social Security Act, as amended. (42 U.S.C. 405 (g))	
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